IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA AT CHANDIGARH

CWP NO.19466 of 2006

DATE OF DECISION: December 8, 2006

Kuldeep Singh Jhajj

….Petitioner

VERSUS

Union of India and others

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Respondents

CORAM:- HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE VINEY MITTAL
HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE H.S. BHALLA

PRESENT: Shri Rajeev Anand, Advocate for the petitioner.

Viney Mittal,J.(Oral).

Notice of motion to the respondents.

On the asking of Court, Shri Rajeev Sharma, Standing Counsel for Union of India accepts notice on behalf of the respondents.

Copies of the writ petition have been supplied to the learned counsel for the respondents.

The petitioner is aggrieved against the order dated September 28,2006 (Annexure P.8) passed by the Regional Passport Officer, Chandigarh, whereby the request of the petitioner for issuance of a passport has been rejected by the competent authority. The petitioner has also averred that against the refusal to issue passport, the petitioner has already filed an appeal on the very same day i.e. September 28,2006 before the Chief Passport Officer, who is appellate authority, but the aforesaid appeal has not been decided so far.

In this view of the matter, without commenting upon the merits of the claim made by the petitioner, we dispose of the present petition with a request to the Chief Passport Officer, respondent No.2 to take a final decision on the aforesaid appeal filed by the petitioner within a period of four months from the date a certified copy of this order is received, by passing a detailed and speaking order.

A copy of the order be given dasti on payment of usual charges.

(Viney Mittal)
Judge

December 8, 2006
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(H.S. Bhalla)
Judge